## SENATE BILL 38 By Cohen

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 38; Title 39; Title 54 and Title 68, relative to methamphetamine.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 54, Chapter 1, Part 1, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated section:

Section 54-1-136.

- (a) The department shall implement and maintain a statewide billboard campaign concentrated on methamphetamine. Such campaign shall be developed in consultation with the governor's highway safety office and the Tennessee bureau of investigation.
- (b) The department is authorized to negotiate with billboard companies for free or reduced cost use of available billboards. Billboard companies are encouraged to work with the department to provide this public service.
- (c) The department shall utilize any combination of the following funding sources to effectuate the provisions of this act:
  - (1) Existing departmental funding including, but not limited to, any available highway safety funds or drug and alcohol funds; or
    - (2) Grants; or
    - (3) Private donations.
- (d) The department shall annually report to the chairs of the house and senate transportation committees on the extent of the methamphetamine

billboard campaign. Such report shall be made at the same time the commissioner reports on the annual highway project list.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

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